REMARKS

Claims 22-50 are pending.

Claim 41 is amended. Claim 51 is added.

Support for the amendment to Claim 41 and new Claim 51 is found on page 6, lines 810 of the present Specification. No new matter is believed to be added upon entry of the
amendment. It is kindly requested that the Examiner enter the amendment, as it is believed
that its entry will not require further consideration or searching. Upon entry of the
amendment, Claims 22-51 will be active.

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that Claims 22-40 are allowed.

The rejection of claims 41-43 and 49-50 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) under Nagashima et al. (U.S. 6,127,492) is respectfully traversed.

<u>Nagashima</u> describes a thermoplastic resin composition containing carbon fiber conductive carbon black, which is compounded into a thermoplastic resin containing an aromatic polycarbonate resin and an aromatic polysulfone resin.

This is in contrast to the claimed electroconductive sheet, which comprises a polycarbonate resin; 5-50 wt% of a carbon black; and 1-40 wt% of a graft resin, based on the polycarbonate resin.

Accordingly, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

Since there is no suggestion or motivation contained within <u>Nagashima</u>'s disclosure that would suggest that an electroconductive sheet contains these components, it is believed that the claimed sheet is unobvious in view of <u>Nagashima</u>'s disclosure. It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge the same.

Consequently, in view of the amendments to the claims and the comments contained herein; it is believed the application is in a condition for allowance. An early and favorable indication of the same is respectfully requested.

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Should the Examiner deem that a personal or telephonic interview would be helpful in advancing this application toward allowance, he or she is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the below-listed telephone number.

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